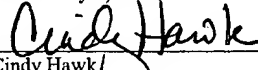


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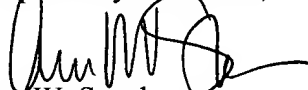
Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced patent application are the following:

1. Information Disclosure Statement;
2. Copies of previously submitted Forms PTO-1449 and PTO-892 from related applications; and
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required in connection with filing of these papers, or credit overpayment, to Account No. 19-3555. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Dear Sir:

Copies of PTO-1449 and PTO-892 forms that were filed or issued in connection with related patent applications, namely U.S. Patent Application No. 09/383,586, filed August 26, 1999, and U.S. Patent Application No. 09/276,268, filed March 25, 1999, are attached.

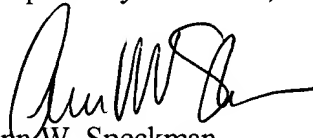
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